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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.138 and MPEP 711.01, Applicants hereby expressly abandon the above-identified U.S. design patent application.

This Express Abandonment is pursuant to pending U.S. patent applications claiming priority to the above-identified U.S. patent application. Consequently, this constitutes an abandonment of the application and not the subject matter therein.

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